

The Bamberg Herald

Thursday, August 12, 1915.

SHORT LOCALS.

Brief Items of Interest Throughout the Town and County.

Rev. W. M. Jones, pastor of the Williston Baptist church, preached in the Bamberg Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. Belton Hair was carried Friday night to Charleston for an operation for appendicitis. The operation was performed successfully, and his friends will be pleased to know that he is rapidly recovering.

Mr. J. M. Kinard has opened a grocery store in the building formerly occupied by Brickley's garage, on Main street. Mr. Kinard has been in the grocery business in Bamberg for some years, but recently sold his store to Mr. E. L. Price, Jr.

Rev. W. R. McMillan assisted the pastor of the White Pond Baptist church, in Aiken county, in a protracted meeting last week. The meeting is described as being one of the best the church has ever had. There were eleven additions to the church.

The sales of the Bamberg county dispensaries for July amounted to \$6,302.46, as follows: Bamberg, \$2,431.18; Denmark, \$1,406.26; Olar, \$1,186.11; Ehrhardt, \$1,278.91. The operating expenses amounted to \$432.24 for all the dispensaries of the county.

Messrs. Frankie Fain and Gilmore Lancaster, of Govan, boys' corn club prize winners in Bamberg county, left Monday morning for Clemson College, where they will take a month's course in agriculture. Nearly every county in the State is represented at Clemson this month.

Fine rains fell throughout the county last week. Reports are to the effect that the crops have been greatly benefited by the rains, especially cotton. It appears that most corn planted was past the stage when rain would be of benefit, and the corn crop will without doubt be short.

Yesterday Mr. C. R. Brabham lost several fine hogs by death. He had the hogs turned into a watermelon field, and a few hours later he was notified that several were dead. It is supposed that they ate the watermelons, and died from a lack of "wallow" place. Three brood sows and one porker were found dead in the field, and Mr. Brabham stated that there may be others.

Kilgus-Smith.

Mr. Rex. E. Smith, of Columbia, and Miss Louisa Kilgus, of Bamberg, were married at the residence of the bridegroom's parents, 1818 1-2 Main street, Sunday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. E. Turnipseed, pastor of Main street Methodist church.—The State.

Miss Kilgus is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kilgus, of this city. Mr. Smith was recently connected with the Thielens Theatre, of Bamberg. Both young people have a host of friends in the city, who extend their congratulations and best wishes.

Knights of Pythias Meet at Olar.

The convention of the third district, Knights of Pythias, was held yesterday, Wednesday, at Olar. The convention was quite a success, being well attended. There are twenty-four lodges in this district, and nearly all of them were represented at the convention. The delegates were royally entertained by the members of the lodge at Olar, and the town generally.

The business session of the convention was held at 11:30 in the morning. After the meeting, the delegates and visitors were assigned to various homes for entertainment.

A public meeting was to have been held Wednesday night. At this meeting it was expected that Grand Chancellor Gyles, of Aiken; Grand Vice Chancellor Alva Lumpkin, of Columbia; Grand Prelate W. E. Derrick, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Brown would be present and make short addresses. Dr. Watson B. Duncan, of Orangeburg, and Mr. H. W. Purvis, of the S. A. L. railway, were also expected visitors.

Sunday-School Convention.

Editor Bamberg Herald:—Please announce that all delegates and visitors to the Barnwell and Bamberg Sunday-school convention, to be held with the Colston Branch Baptist church, September 1st, 2nd and 3rd, coming by rail, will be met at Olar, S. C., on September 1st. Both passenger trains from Columbia and Savannah—7:30 and 9:30 a. m.—will be met.

All delegates and visitors coming by rail will please notify either of the following committee at their earliest convenience: Joe B. Beard, Wilson Beard, J. B. All, Thos. Clayton. Postoffice address, Bamberg, S. C., R. F. D. No. 2.

THOS. CLAYTON.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Excellent Programme Arranged for Meeting at Colston Church.

The Barnwell and Bamberg Baptist Sunday-school convention will meet with the Colston Sunday-school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 1, 2 and 3, 1915. All schools are entitled to five delegates. Every school is expected to take part in the exercises of the last session of the convention. Each school is asked to send a contribution to pay for minutes and expenses of the convention. The following is the programme:

Wednesday, September 1.

10:30 a. m.—Devotional exercises by A. I. McLemore. Organization. Address of welcome, B. F. Halford. Response, J. D. Huggins. Colportage. Adjourn. Dinner on the grounds.

2:30 p. m.—Service of song and prayer, Dr. Robert Black.

2:45—The opportunity of the Sunday-school teacher. (a) To answer a direct call for service, H. J. Hair, W. R. McMillan. (b) To prepare himself for service, Dr. J. R. McCormack, D. W. Heckle. (c) The scope of service, God and man, Dr. J. B. Black, W. L. Hays. Verbal reports from delegates and practical suggestions. Adjourn.

Thursday, September 2.

10:00 a. m.—Service of song and prayer, Geo. Smoak.

10:15—The church's care of its Sunday-school, making it profitable and pleasant, Dr. Robt. Black, J. R. Smith, Geo. Hopkins.

11:00 a. m.—How may the convention contribute most to effective Sunday-school work, J. D. Huggins, T. J. Watts. Dinner on the grounds.

2:30 p. m.—Devotional exercises, Thos. Clayton.

2:45—Team work in the Sunday-school teachers, superintendent and pastor, R. B. Fickling, R. E. Woodward, J. R. Cullum, P. A. Bolen.

3:30—A model Sunday-school, T. J. Watts.

4:30—Missions in the Sunday-school, W. H. Hutto, D. W. Heckle. Miscellaneous business and adjourn.

Friday, September 3.

10:00 a. m.—Devotional exercises, D. O. Hunter.

10:15—The Sunday-school work of sufficient importance to require the output of our best energies, spiritual, intellectual and physical, W. R. McMillan, A. E. McDowell, J. D. Huggins. The qualifications of a Sunday-school teacher, P. A. Bolen, W. G. Britton.

12:30 p. m.—Adjourn. Dinner on the grounds.

1:30—Devotional exercises, R. R. Johnston.

1:45—Exercises by Sunday-schools, essays, recitations and music. Presentation of banners by president. Reports from committees. Parting remarks by president. Adjourn.

The Evangel Song Book will be used.

Delegates are asked to bring their books.

Death of Bright Boy.

Little John Frank, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hiers, died at their home Saturday morning. The little fellow had been ill for nine days with meningitis. Everything possible was done for him without avail. The remains were buried Sunday morning at Springtown church, the Rev. Mr. Hopkins conducting the funeral services. The boy was a very bright lad, and had many friends among both the little folks and the grown-ups. Mr. and Mrs. Hiers have the sympathy of numerous friends all over the county.

Collecting Paraphernalia.

Capt. W. R. Wright, of Augusta, spent a few days in the city last week. Capt. Wright was formerly captain of the Bamberg Guards, which was disbanded some time ago. He came to Bamberg for the purpose of collecting some of the uniforms and paraphernalia of the company, which is still out.

Growing "Popped" Popcorn?

Planter Tom Crider, who lives near Bamberg, brought to town the other day an ear of popcorn. Nothing peculiar about that. But on the ear there was a grain of popcorn that was already "popped." Something a little unusual about that. Farmer Crider has been telling the people in town about how hot the weather has been "out his way," and he brought in the popped popcorn, but he declined to say that the hot weather did it. Seriously, however, it is quite a curiosity, for no one about town seems to have ever known a grain of corn to "pop" without the aid of some fire or other intense heat. Mr. D. F. Hooton has the ear of corn, and the incredulous are at liberty to look at it. Several other grains on the same ear are partially "popped" open.

Just for wholesome goodness' sake try Stone's "Golden Sunbeam" Cake—beats those mother used to make. 10c at G. A. Ducker & Bro.'s—adv.

Company "G" Reunion.

Company "G" 1st S. C. Regiment Infantry, U. C. V., held its annual meeting at Bethesda Baptist church near Ehrhardt, Thursday July 29th. This was their fifteenth anniversary gathering and there were fully twelve hundred or more persons gathered at the old meeting place to greet them. It is their custom to have a meeting strictly in accordance with the old routine of the days of camp life, so the company is called to order, the orderly sergeant in charge, roll is called and the business of the company attended to, and an address made by some one invited. Then the members indulge in incidents of the "sixties."

The address this year was made by Rev. F. O. S. Curtis, chaplain-general of the South Carolina Division U. C. V., and was very much enjoyed. He took as his theme "The Success of Our Country and the Causes Leading Up to It."

The sumptuous spread was in keeping with the splendid hospitality of the Bethesda neighborhood and vicinity.

The history of this company is interesting. The company composed a part of Hagood's old regiment, went into the service at the very commencement of the war, serving in the army of Northern Virginia, and did splendid service. It numbered 130 members, only two married men among them. They were all young fellows, manly and true. Twenty-six of their number were killed in battle, and only 14 are now living, eight only being present at this meeting. An interesting incident was the calling of the original company roll from memory, by one of the members and this was done without hesitation.

The Bethesda church, some years ago offered its building and grounds to the company as a permanent meeting place, and a more convenient and more beautiful place could not have been selected.

Capt. Jake Hunter was in command and made a most excellent presiding officer, courteous, kind and efficient. Miss G. E. Jordan is secretary.

The services were opened with Scripture reading and prayer by Chaplain J. R. Smith, and the well selected choir gave beautiful music and singing.

The fifteenth reunion of Company "G" was called to order by Capt. J. B. Hunter, and the choir sang "The King's Business." Song, "Keep the Heart Singing all the While." Song, "Holy! Holy! Holy!" Scripture reading by Rev. J. R. Smith, followed by prayer, by Rev. Smith. Welcome address by Mr. G. W. Folk; response by Dr. J. B. Black. Roll call by Veteran M. O. Kinard. Sixteen of the company are living with only eight of them present. Reading of minutes by secretary; motion to adopt by Veteran J. C. Copeland; seconded by Veteran M. O. Kinard. Song, "Be a Hero."

Col. F. O. S. Curtis, of Colleton, was introduced as the speaker of the occasion. Col. Curtis held the attention of the audience spell bound. "Education and Progress" could be called his subject. He threw beautiful flowers at the blue back epeller and Smith's English grammar of the 50's and wreaths and bouquets at present methods with compulsory means for education for today. Tender were the expressions he made of the beautiful Southland, naming some of its leaders of most trying times in history of the United States, viz., Washington, Davis, Lee, Lincoln and our present Wilson. It is good to know the South grew these noted men. His compliments were profuse to the daughters with their various ways of keeping up the Confederacy. He laid special stress on utilization and specialization in life. His address as a whole was a forceful theme of the time and was thoroughly enjoyed.

Song, "Oh, That Will Be Glory for Me." Address by Chairman Hunter, with a rising vote by audience in appreciation of Col. Curtis's address. Resolutions of respect were offered and read by Rev. J. R. Smith on death of Comrade W. T. Beard, who was color bearer. Resolutions adopted and placed in minute book. Song, "Open Thy Windows," during which a collection was taken to defray expenses of speaker, \$3.00, and finishing paying for pump, \$5.75, to Mr. B. F. Hill, was taken with a surplus of 71 cents, to be placed in bank. Election of Rev. J. R. Smith, as chaplain. Short address by Col. Curtis on text books issued as a result of Confederate reunions.

Original roll call of Company "G" by "Uncle Jim" Zeigler, showing a wonderful memory. Announcement by chairman of the next meeting, the last Thursday in July of 1916, at Bethesda Baptist church. Song, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." The soldiers had their usual handshake, which was demonstrated with much emotion.

A bountiful dinner was served on the ground and it was served to as estimated, about one thousand

Death of Mr. J. E. Steadman.

A great crowd of people gathered at the cemetery about noon Sunday, at Denmark, to the burial of Mr. J. E. Steadman, one of the oldest men in this community. Jonathan Elbert Steadman was born in Lexington county, June 26, 1838, and died at his residence in Denmark August 7, in the 78th year of his age. Mr. Steadman moved to Denmark (Graham) in the fall of the year, 1866, and has served his community as a Christian citizen in everything that has been for the best. He joined the Confederate army in 1862, Company A, Fourteenth South Carolina regiment, McGowan's brigade, and served with courage and faithfulness to the end of the war. Mr. Steadman was three times married. His last wife, now left to mourn his departure, was Miss Sarah Merritt, of Williston. Along with the bereaved wife the following are the children: Mrs. H. B. Rice, Denmark; Mrs. J. S. Walker, Denmark; Mrs. A. H. Pregnall, Florence; Messrs. Jas. Gordon Steadman, John Elbert Steadman and Thos. Elmore Steadman, Denmark; George Alfred Steadman and Boyce Merritt Steadman, Midville, Ga. Mr. Steadman was an earnest Christian, a member of the Baptist church. He served his church for a number of years as Sunday-school superintendent and was a deacon at the time of his death. He was buried by his pastor, the Rev. J. D. Huggins, assisted by the Rev. H. Grady Hardin, pastor of the Methodist church.

Mosquitoes are Scarce.

Residents of Bamberg will recall that last summer there were some millions or billions, maybe, of mosquitoes in town. There was no section of the city that was not infested. It has been noticed that this summer there is a scarcity of mosquitoes in the city, and many have wondered why this is. The secret is probably in the fact that this summer the authorities have used large quantities of oil in the ditches. The drains have been covered with oil several times in some places, and the oil has been used freely over the city, and places where mosquitoes are liable to breed have been thoroughly disinfected. The result is that the city has been peculiarly free from this pest this summer. While the cost of using oil in this manner has probably been rather high, the results obtained have fully justified the expenditure. Mosquitoes are blamed by medical experts with much of the malaria that people in the low section of the State suffer from, and by preventing the breeding of mosquitoes, the health of the town has probably been bettered. It is understood that oil will be applied to the ditches and drains again in the near future.

Revival Meeting at Pleasant Hill.

We will begin a revival meeting at Pleasant Hill church, Sunday, August 15th, at 4 o'clock, p. m., and continue through the following Sunday. There will be two services a day, at 10:30 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

B. J. GUESS, Pastor.

Renderers Favorable Opinion.

Hon. B. W. Miley, city attorney, has rendered an opinion to the effect that waterworks and sewerage bonds can be voted by the city of Bamberg. When the question of the installation of a waterworks and sewerage system was first agitated in Bamberg, the question arose whether or not the city could legally vote an amount of bonds that would be required for these improvements without a special act of the legislature granting this authority. There is a provision of the constitution which forbids the bonding of cities over a stipulated percentage of the taxable property, but the city attorney has ruled that this provision in the constitution will not forbid the city of Bamberg voting bonds for the purpose of waterworks and sewerage. As this opinion removes the legal obstacles in the way of the improvements, the matter will be pushed, and it is expected that the election on the matter will be held at an early date.

Card From Mr. Ryan.

Editor Bamberg Herald:—Information has come to me that there are certain reports current to the effect that I have a contract with the city of Bamberg for all plumbing work. I wish to state that this report is untrue and without foundation. I do not do plumbing work at all, and have no connection with any plumbing work done in the city.—adv.

G. D. RYAN.

These reunions are really reunions. The first and prime value of the occasion is for the remaining Confederate fathers, and there are folk who are dear friends to each other that are separated from that occasion to the next and the reunion at Bethesda stands out as one of the great annual affairs of the county.

GEORGIE EMMA JORDAN, Sec. and Treas. of Co. "G."

THE OUTLOOK.

By the Observer.

Good roads is something we should all be interested in, and I guess we are. Everybody hopes to live to see the day when Bamberg county, the State and the nation will be traversed by a system of perfect roads. Very few of us, if any, will probably ever see that day, but it is probable that the most of the present generation will see a better system of roads than we have before we die. The advent of the automobile has caused a renewed interest to be taken in roads. The present condition of the average South Carolina road makes it look like a waste of money for a person to buy a nice touring car, for it literally shakes to pieces in about half the time it would last if there were good roads. I imagine Mr. Ford will not find his automobile so popular when we get good roads. But Ford took into consideration a condition that exists, that is that the roads are bad, therefore his cars are constructed lightly and strongly, to withstand jolts and bumps. I do not know that that was the reason for the Ford, of course. Where there are good roads there are more pleasure cars, and the people of Bamberg some day will tire, as they grow in prosperity and want more luxury, of low-priced cars and want bigger and better ones. And the desire for good roads will increase accordingly.

Speaking about good roads, I am sometimes forced to the conclusion that we in this State waste a lot of money on road building. I have no special reference to Bamberg, for our officers do quite as well as the average, if not better. The system seems all wrong. We spend a lot of money, but do not seem to get any permanent results. There are exceptions to this rule, to be sure, but generally where we see better roads, the system is different. I am not offering our supervisor or anybody else any advice, for I am not competent to do so. I know nothing about scientific road construction, or any other kind, for that matter. But there are those who do know, and I think that the State or the counties individually would do well to pay a road expert a good round sum to supervise the construction of our roads. There must surely be a scientific method of road construction, a way that roads could be built to stand permanently with a minimum of repair cost. And there must be some way to get this scientific knowledge. Some States, and some sections of this State, have good sand-clay roads. Why not find out how they got them?

I have in mind a piece of roadway constructed under the supervision of an expert from the federal government. The road must have been built some six or seven years ago. The cost, as I remember hearing it, was \$400 a mile and convicts were used for labor. I am told that the road to Denmark cost a good deal more than \$400 per mile, yet this road does not seem to answer for a permanent highway. In the construction of the government road above referred to, I am told a chemist first analyzed the nature of the sand and clay along the right of way. After determining the nature of the soil from which the road must be built, a formula was found for the correct amount of sand and clay to be used for the road to become firm and withstand hard usage, for this road is used more, perhaps, than any road in this county. The sand in the roadway was removed. A layer of sand was put down to a certain depth, then a layer of clay, another layer of sand and another layer of clay, and so on, until the road was of the proper depth. Plows were then used to thoroughly mix the two soils. After thoroughly plowing, a disc harrow was used to pulverize the clay. The result was that the road was built of a composition of sand and clay mixed in scientific proportions. The road was not opened to the public until it was thoroughly rolled with a road roller. It was dragged and rolled at intervals for several weeks. The road remained perfectly hard and smooth, and I am told that the road is still in fine condition, though it has not been properly kept in repair.

Some day I think all our roads will be constructed by road experts, men who have studied the problem. Probably they will be built under government supervision. They will be built with an idea of lasting. It has been demonstrated that the sand-clay road is the most practicable road for the South. Our roads here at home are pretty bad, but we are living in hopes of a bond issue, when there will be money with which to build roads.

Come and see our old friends of the "Master Key" in a three-reel Civil War drama, Friday night, Thielens Theatre.—adv.

Prohibitionists Organize.

On Monday a meeting of prohibitionists was held at the court house, attended by about forty citizens from Bamberg and several other points in the county. The meeting was called for the purpose of effecting a prohibition organization. Mr. Thomas Black called the meeting to order, after which prayer was offered by Rev. W. R. McMillan.

The election of officers resulted in the selection of Mr. Thomas Black as president and Mr. W. E. Free as secretary and treasurer.

The president stated that it was planned to hold meetings in various sections of the county in the interest of the prohibition movement. On motion the president was authorized to appoint a committee of three, together with the president and secretary, to arrange for the holding of these meetings, to provide speakers and to arrange suitable programmes.

The president appointed on this committee Dr. Robert Black, Rev. E. O. Watson, and S. G. Mayfield, Esq.

Prohibition Meetings.

To the citizens and voters of Bamberg county: The committee in charge of the matter of fixing dates for the several prohibition rallies in Bamberg county beg to announce meetings on the following dates and at the several places below mentioned:

Farrelle, August 19, 1915.
Denmark, August 25, 1915.
Ehrhardt, August 26, 1915.
Olar, August 31, 1915.
Colston, September 8, 1915.
Bamberg, September 9, 1915.

We are requested to announce that on the date for the meeting at Ehrhardt, dinner will be served on the grounds in picnic style, and everybody is invited to come and bring well filled baskets.

Speakers will be supplied for each of the above meetings.

W. E. FREE, Secretary.

Bamberg, S. C., August 11, 1915.

New Advertisements.

Town Council—An Ordinance.

Peoples Bank—On the Hook of Time.

Thielens Theatre—"Shattered Memories."

G. D. Ryan, Agent—1916 Maxwell, \$655.

J. B. Brickley—Taking an Auto Apart.

G. Frank Bamberg, Dealer—Overland Cars.

Farmers & Merchants Bank—The Prudent Man is Never Out of a Job.

The Light of Love.

Somewhere in the distance,
In the far and great beyond
Is a little beam of light to which
My soul doth now respond.
As dim it seems, I know't must be
Away, away, away
Out yonder in eternity—
That faint and flickering ray.

At times indeed 'tis very dim,
And then again 'tis bright;
It is my life, it is my hope—
That melancholy light.
It sheds its little beam on me
Which pierces to my heart,
And it doth rest within my breast
It never shall depart.

I sometimes fancy that perhaps
The one I made of two,
And that the reason why 'tis so
Is to the distance due.
In fact I am convinced of it.
Away up in the skies
I see, I feel, I know that they
Must be my true-love's eyes.
—J. B. RICE.

Bamberg, S. C.

Glendale springs water for sale at Herndon's Grocery Store and Mack's Drug Store.—adv.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Advertisements Under This Head 25c. For 25 Words or Less.

For Sale—See L. B. Fowler, agent, for sash, doors, blinds, moulding rough and dressed lumber, etc. Bamberg, S. C.

For Sale—75 bushels native rye seed; also plenty of dry stove wood. Prices reasonable. See L. F. SANDIFER, City.

For Sale—Pigeons. Colored Homers \$1.50 pair; White Homers \$2.00 pair. Squabs, 2 for 35c. J. J. CLECKLEY.

Lost—Gold medal, between Mr. J. W. Jennings' and Mr. R. S. Simmons' residences. Engraved on top was "Reward," and on the bottom "Jennie." Reward if returned to R. S. SIMMONS, Bamberg, S. C.

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